



Graduation Matters Montana – AA Summit – July 12, 2011

Opening Discussion

Overview: The morning session is dedicated to a facilitated discussion of AA districts' current efforts to increase the number of students who graduate. Please consider these questions.

Graduation Matters Montana Critical Questions		
Programmatic Components	Effective Strategies	Key Points to Share
Attendance & Truancy		
How are you tracking & addressing attendance & truancy issues?		
How have you re-enrolled students who drop out?		
Family Involvement		
What are your activities for engaging families in dropout prevention efforts?		
Student Voice		
How are you including student voice in dropout prevention efforts?		
Community Partnerships		
What are your activities for creating community and business partnerships?		
Who are your strongest allies? Who is missing?		
School Climate & Policy		
How are you addressing school climate & policy changes to keep students in school?		
What hands-on or service-learning options are offered to engage/challenge ALL students?		
Strategic Use of Data		
What kinds of data have been most helpful in your dropout prevention work?		
What early warning systems are in place?		
What are the greatest challenges to using data to inform dropout prevention strategies?		
Funding		
What strategies have been successful to gain external funding support for this work?		
What are your greatest challenges to gaining external funding support for this work?		